| *Name of the Station* | *Generating Capacity (MW)* |
|---|---|
| Mahi Bajaj (Hydro) | 140 |
| Anoopghar (Hydro) | 13 |
| Anta Gas Turbine | 413 |
| Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS) | 300 |

(b) to (d). The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

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**Solar Energy**

3062. SHRI PRAFUL PATEL:Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to take steps to popularise various technologies for making solar equipments; and

(b) if so, the details thereof in Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. In order to popularise various technologies for making solar equipments in the country including Maharashtra, the following steps are being taken during the year 1991-92:

(i) Funding of research projects for development of technologies to various research organisations.

(2) Pilot plant studies of new technologies.

(3) Exemption of Excise Duty and Central Sales Tax on Solar equipments.

(4) 100% depreciation for the installation of solar equipments and machinery used for manufacture of such equipments.

(5) Soft loan through Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency for manufacture and installation of solar equipments.

**Suratgarh Thermal power Plant**

3063. SHRI MANPHOOL SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work on Suratgarh Thermal Plant has commenced and the allocation made in the current year;

(b) whether the farmers' agricultural land has been acquired for this purpose; and

(c) the area of the land acquired and the rate of compensation fixed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The scheme for instal-